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<p><b>PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT</b>  Address to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231</p>	Attorney Docket Confirmation No.	SHIM006 8342	<p><b>RECEIVED</b> TAKUYA TAMATANI ET AL. DEC 07 2001 TECH CENTER 1600/2900 September 18, 2000 1644 P. Huynh <b>Monoclonal Antibody Against Connective Tissue Growth Factor and Medicinal Uses Thereof</b></p>
	First Named Inventor	Takuya Tamatani et al.	
	Application Number	09/582,337	
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	Examiner Name	P. Huynh	
	Title	<b>Monoclonal Antibody Against Connective Tissue Growth Factor and Medicinal Uses Thereof</b>	

Sir:

This is a Response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 19, 2001 and preliminary amendment to the patent application identified above. A Petition for a three (3) Month Extension of Time is submitted herewith, making this response timely filed on or before October 19, 2001. Prior to examination of the subject application, please enter the following amendments to the specification and claims:

**AMENDMENTS**

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 109-120, 122, 124-126 and 145-154 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 104-108, 121, 123 and 127-144 and add new claim 155 as shown on the attached "Mark-Up Version of the Claims." A clean copy of the amended and added claims appear below.

104. (Once Amended) A non-human monoclonal antibody or a portion thereof, which is reactive to human, mouse and rat connective tissue growth factors (CTGFs).

105. (Once Amended) The non-human monoclonal antibody or a portion thereof according to claim 104, wherein said monoclonal antibody is produced by a hybridoma identified by international deposit accession No. FERM-BP-6208.